REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

RE: THE ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's allowance of claims 5-7 and the Examiner's indication of the allowability of the subject matter of claims 4 and 9 are respectfully acknowledged.

Claims 4 and 9 have been amended to be rewritten in independent form, to include all of the limitations of their parent claim 1 and any intervening claim.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the claims be approved and entered, and it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claims 4 and 9 are in condition for immediate allowance, along with allowed claims 5-7.

Entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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